DATE AND PLACE OF MEETING

On April 12, 2018, the Louisiana State Board of Practical Nurse Examiners met at 131 Airline Drive, Suite 301, Metairie, LA

70001.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order on April 12, 2018, at 2:02 p.m., with Myra Collins, Chairwoman presiding.

ROLL CALL

MEMBERS	
Brent Campanella, MD	Present @ 2:34 p.m.
Myra Collins, LPN Chairwoman of the Board	Present
Roberta Connelley, RN	Present
Janie Cypret, LPN	Present
Gwendolyn Dunn, LPN	Present
Barbara Gibbs, RN	Present
Christopher Mallett, LPN	Present
Candace Melancon, LPN Vice-Chair & Secretary/Treasurer	Absent
Andrew Morson, MD	Present
Albertha Prince, LPN	Present
Mohammad Suleman, MD	Absent

STAFF/LEGAL COUNSEL PRESENT

STAFF	
Lynn Ansardi	Present
Denise Klein	Present
Tammy Touchard	Present
Kristen Hill	Present
John Becknell	Present

DECLARATION OF QUORUM

The Chair declared that a quorum was present.

BOARD RESIGNATIONS / APPOINTMENTS

Myra Collins announced that Dr. Arshad and Dr. Roy have resigned from the board. Ms. Collins sincerely thanked both of them for their years of service to the Louisiana State Board of Practical Nurse Examiners. The board is currently awaiting appointments from the governor for replacements of these two board members.

MOTION TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION

<u>Christopher Mallett</u> moved that the board convene in executive session to discuss report on litigation; and consideration of report of hearing officer related to cases before the board for disciplinary action against licensees and/or applicants for licensure.

SECOND: Gibbs

A roll call vote was taken.

YEAS: Collins, Connelley, Cypret, Dunn, Gibbs, Mallett,

Morson, Prince

NAYS: 0

**ABSTENTIONS: 0** 

The motion passed and the board went into executive session at

2:10 p.m.

MOTION TO EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION

Janie Cypret moved that the board exit executive session.

SECOND: Connelley A roll call vote was taken.

YEAS: Campanella, Collins, Connelley, Cypret, Dunn, Gibbs,

Mallett, Morson, Prince

NAYS: 0

**ABSTENTIONS: 0** 

The motion passed and the board exited executive session at 3:37

<u>p.m.</u>

MOTION TO RECESS

<u>Dr. Campanella</u> moved that the board take a recess and reconvene tomorrow morning at 10 a.m. at the Eastbank Regional Jefferson Parish Library.

SECOND: Dunn

A roll call vote was taken.

YEAS: Campanella, Collins, Connelley, Cypret, Dunn, Gibbs,

Mallett, Morson, Prince

NAYS: 0

**ABSTENTIONS: 0** 

The meeting recessed at approximately 3:38 p.m.

DATE AND PLACE OF MEETING

On April 13, 2018, the Louisiana State Board of Practical Nurse Examiners met at the Jefferson Parish East Bank Library, 4747 West Napoleon Avenue, Metairie, Louisiana, 70002.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order on April 13, 2018, at <u>10:01 a.m.</u>, with Myra Collins, Chairwoman presiding.

ROLL CALL

MEMBERS	
Brent Campanella, MD	Absent
Myra Collins, LPN Chairwoman of the Board	Present
Roberta Connelley, RN	Absent
Janie Cypret, LPN	Present
Gwendolyn Dunn, LPN	Present
Barbara Gibbs, RN	Absent
Christopher Mallett, LPN	Present
Candace Melancon, LPN Vice-Chair & Secretary/Treasurer	Absent
Andrew Morson, MD	Present
Albertha Prince, LPN	Present
Mohammad Suleman, MD	Absent

STAFF/LEGAL COUNSEL PRESENT

STAFF	
Lynn Ansardi	Present
Denise Klein	Present
Tammy Touchard	Present
Kerri Palmer	Present
Johnette Kay	Present
Kristen Hill	Present
Janette Patterson	Present
John Becknell	Present

DECLARATION OF QUORUM

The Chair declared that a quorum was present.

**WELCOME** 

Gwendolyn Dunn welcomed the audience.

MOTION TO ADOPT MINUTES OF JANUARY 11 AND 12, 2018 BOARD MEETING

Gwendolyn Dunn moved that the minutes of the board meeting of January 11 and 12, 2018, be adopted as printed in the book of reports.

SECOND: Mallett

YEAS: 6 NAYS: 0

ABSTENTIONS: 0 The motion passed.

MOTIONS RELATED TO DISCIPLINE

Gwendolyn Dunn moved that in the case of (Trozequa Bradberry) license #20140783, the board adopt the hearing officer's findings of fact and conclusions of law without exception and that the respondent's practical nursing license be revoked with stipulations as written in the findings.

SECOND: Mallett

YEAS: 5 NAYS: 0

**ABSTENTIONS: Collins** 

The motion passed.

Janie Cypret moved that in the case of (Shawn Breaux) <u>license</u> #20122561, the board adopt the hearing officer's findings of fact and conclusions of law without exception, and that the respondent's practical nursing license be suspended with stipulations as written in the findings. Upon completion of the suspension stipulations, license will be probated for no less than two (2) years with the stipulations as written in the findings.

SECOND: Dunn

YEAS: 5 NAYS: 0

**ABSTENTIONS: Collins** 

Albertha Prince moved that in the case of (Marilyn Brooks) license #890471, the board adopt the hearing officer's findings of fact and conclusions of law without exception, and that the respondent's practical nursing license be probated for no less than two (2) years with the stipulations as written in the findings.

SECOND: Cypret

YEAS: 5 NAYS: 0

**ABSTENTIONS: Collins** 

The motion passed.

Albertha Prince moved that in the case of (Jennifer Creasy) license #260559, the board adopt the hearing officer's findings of fact and conclusions of law without exception, and that upon receipt of the reinstatement fee of \$150.00, the respondent's practical nursing license shall be probated for no less than six (6) months with the stipulations as written in the findings.

SECOND: Cypret

YEAS: 5 NAYS: 0

**ABSTENTIONS: Collins** 

The motion passed.

Gwendolyn Dunn moved that in the case of (T'etta Foster) license #250515, the board adopt the hearing officer's findings of fact and conclusions of law without exception and that the respondent be issued a letter of reprimand with stipulations as written in the findings.

SECOND: Mallett

YEAS: 5 NAYS: 0

**ABSTENTIONS: Collins** 

Janie Cypret moved that in the case of (Keyauna Hart) license #20130990, the board adopt the hearing officer's findings of fact and conclusions of law without exception, and that the respondent's practical nursing license be suspended with the stipulations as written in the findings. Upon completion of the suspension stipulations, license will be probated for no less than two (2) years with the stipulations as written in the findings.

SECOND: Dunn

YEAS: 5 NAYS: 0

**ABSTENTIONS: Collins** 

The motion passed.

Albertha Prince moved that in the case of (Erica Lanehart) license #20100880, the board adopt the hearing officer's findings of fact and conclusions of law without exception, and that the respondent's practical nursing license be probated for no less than two (2) years with the stipulations as written in the findings.

SECOND: Cypret

YEAS: 5 NAYS: 0

**ABSTENTIONS: Collins** 

The motion passed.

Gwendolyn Dunn moved that in the case of (Cornelia Nelson) license #220174, the board adopt the hearing officer's findings of fact and conclusions of law without exception and that the respondent's practical nursing license be revoked with stipulations as written in the findings.

SECOND: Mallett

YEAS: 4 NAYS: 0

ABSTENTIONS: Collins, Morson

Albertha Prince moved move that in the case of (Tiffany Raborn) <u>license #20111090</u>, the board adopt the hearing officer's findings of fact and conclusions of law without exception, and that the respondent's practical nursing license be probated for no less than two (2) years with the stipulations as written in the findings.

SECOND: Cypret

YEAS: 5 NAYS: 0

**ABSTENTIONS: Collins** 

The motion passed.

Janie Cypret moved that in the case of (Shelby Ramos) license #20150403, the board adopt the hearing officer's findings of fact and conclusions of law without exception, and that the respondent's practical nursing license remain suspended with the stipulations as written in the findings. Upon completion of the suspension stipulations, license will be probated for no less than two (2) years with the stipulations as written in the findings.

SECOND: Dunn

YEAS: 5 NAYS: 0

**ABSTENTIONS: Collins** 

The motion passed.

Gwendolyn Dunn moved that in the case of (Sheena Rose) license #20110718, the board adopt the hearing officer's findings of fact and conclusions of law without exception and that the respondent's practical nursing license in the state of Louisiana be revoked with stipulations as written in the findings.

SECOND: Mallett

YEAS: 4 NAYS: 0

ABSTENTIONS: Collins, Morson

Gwendolyn Dunn moved that in the case of (Theresa Thibodeaux) license #840759, the board adopt the hearing officer's findings of fact and conclusions of law without exception and that the respondent be issued a letter of reprimand with stipulations as written in the findings.

SECOND: Mallett

YEAS: 5 NAYS: 0

**ABSTENTIONS: Collins** 

The motion passed.

Janie Cypret moved that in the case of (Jade Willis) license #291002, the board adopt the hearing officer's findings of fact and conclusions of law without exception, and that the respondent's practical nursing license be suspended for no less than one (1) year with the stipulations as written in the findings. Upon completion of the suspension stipulations, license will be probated for no less than two (2) years with the stipulations as written in the findings.

SECOND: Dunn

YEAS: 4 NAYS: 0

ABSTENTIONS: Collins, Morson

The motion passed.

Janie Cypret moved that in the case of (Kelley Wood) <u>license</u> #20160628, the board adopt the hearing officer's findings of fact and conclusions of law without exception, and that the respondent's practical nursing license be suspended for no less than one (1) year with stipulations as written in the findings. Upon completion of the suspension stipulations, license will be probated for no less than one (1) year with the stipulations as written in the findings.

SECOND: Dunn

YEAS: 5 NAYS: 0

**ABSTENTIONS: Collins** 

<u>Christopher Mallett</u> moved that the following consent agreements be accepted by the Board without exception:

Last four digits C.C. #6796	T/4-1 A4-1
Last four digits S.S. #6786	Krystal Antoine
License #220732	Cherry Babin
License #930487	Pamela Beck
License #250210	Margaret Beloso
License #20150720	Wendy Blalock
License #920522	Carla Boudreaux
Last four digits S.S. #7667	Gabriela Bruno
Last four digits S.S. #5732	Chamekia Charles
Last four digits S.S. #6917	Raven Clark
Last four digits S.S. #6975	Stormy Clayton
Last four digits S.S. #8059	Rebecca Costello
License #20121088	Andrea Cousin
License #990980	Heidie Credeur
Last four digits S.S. #5758	Kara De Pingre
License #20110440	Julia Dowell
License #200343	Melinda Duhon
License #20160283	Britney Dungan
License #250427	Donnette Etienne
License #950559	Paige Fontenot
License #210801	Patricia Francis
License #250679	Teouna Fuller
Last four digits S.S. #4969	Shadonna Garner
Last four digits S.S. #5511	Erika Henderson
Last four digits S.S. #0446	Ethan Horne
Last four digits S.S. #1288	Janet Jackson
License #20140185	Qiyonne Jones
Last four digits S.S. #0580	Julia Longmire
License #20140127	Frankie Lyons
License #970638	Roxane Malbrough
License #200041	Kellie Martin
License #20140228	Krissy Pontiff
License #260124	Samantha Quebedeaux
License #962506	Shaun Roach
License #800368	Debra Roger
License #20100013	Shannon Salinas
License #20120653	Jamie Smith
License #20110484	Madolyn Smith
License #230722	Deitra Terry
Last four digits S.S. #9608	Madeline Valencia
License #970413	Caren Wahl
License #200059	Andrea Warner
	AMUICA WALIEL

Last four digits S.S. #7886	Chaquanna Wilridge
License #20131019	Bonique Wilson
Last four digits S.S. #9505	Mariah Woods

SECOND: Dunn

YEAS: 6 NAYS: 0

ABSTENTIONS: 0 The motion passed.

REPORT OF THE
ASSOCIATE
EXECUTIVE
DIRECTOR

**SUMMARY REPORTS** 

Denise Klein presented the summary report from the compliance department of new reports received and action taken as of 3/26/2018. No action was needed or taken on these matters.

REPORT OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

LACAPNE (Louisiana Council of Administrators of practical Nursing Education) has been established, which is a counterpart of LACANE (Louisiana Council of Administrators or Nursing Education), which will be focused on supporting LPNs. LACAP is still in the process of establishing their bylaws. The purpose of the organization is to support practical nursing program coordinators and address and issues that may arise concerning the practice of practical nursing as well as the education of practical nurses.

STUDENTS ADMITTED AND REPORTING ARRESTS

Johnette Kay presented a summary of students admitted and reporting arrest(s) from 10/01/2016 to 02/28/2018. No action was needed or taken.

PROGRAM SUMMARY A summary report and update of programs on initial and provisional accreditation were provided.

No action was needed or taken.

PROGRAM(S) ON

INITIAL

**ACCREDITATION** 

Programs on initial accreditation include the following:

Infinity College

PROGRAM(S) ON PROVISIONAL

ACCREDITATION

Programs on provisional accreditation include the following:

Dryades YMCA School of Commerce

Healthcare Training Institute

Unitech Training Academy - Metairie

Westside Campus, BRCC

NEW PROGRAM REQUEST

Ms. Kay reported that Blue Cliff College, Metairie campus, is requesting to start a new practical nursing program. They meet

the requirements as outlined by the board. They are an

accredited and established program, enrolling students in other

programs since 1987.

**MOTION** 

Gwendolyn Dunn moved to approve Phase I, an official request for Blue Cliff College, Metairie campus to begin a practical nursing program. The LSBPNE staff is to conduct a survey of

the program development and physical location of the

institution.

SECOND: Cypret

YEAS: 6 NAYS: 0

ABSTENTIONS: 0 The motion passed.

PROGRAM(S) CITED FOR NON-COMPLIANCE OF BOARD RULES At the time of the printing of the book of reports, the following programs had been cited for non-compliance with board rules: Shreveport Campus, NWLTC (NCLEX-PN pass rate)

ELIGIBILITY FOR LICENSURE BY EXAM

Ms. Kay discussed that board staff is still working on collecting data and the affect that the 2 year / 4 attempt rule has had on applicants by licensure. There was a surge in applicants applying to take the NCLEX-PN.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

**BUDGET FY 2018** 

Lynn Ansardi presented the actual operating budget for fiscal year 2018 as of 12/31/2017.

No action was needed or taken.

DATA OF ACTIVE LPNs BY PARISH Lynn Ansardi presented the data showing the total number of active LPNs by parish for the end of the 2018 renewal season as

of 03/27/2018.

No action was needed or taken.

2018 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Lynn Ansardi gave a report on the current 2018 regular legislative session. Ms. Ansardi reported on bills that would be of interest to LPNs and LSBPNE board members. The summary included:

House bill 324 by Franklin J. Foil – provides that all monies collected by the La. State Board of Medical Examiners which remain unexpended and unencumbered at the end of each fiscal year shall revert to the state general fund

House bill 372 by Patrick Connick – creates an occupational licensing review committee to review any new regulation proposed by licensing board

House bill 562 by Julie Emerson – requires the governor's office to review 20% of all current regulations each year and make recommendations to legislator on which ones to change or remove

Senate bill 25 by Fred H. Mills, Jr. – prohibits state agencies from entering into contracts with lobbyist

Senate bill 40 by Fred H. Mills, Jr. – replaces a member of all health licensing boards with a consumer member and removes associations from the nomination process

Senate bill 202 by Barrow Peacoc $\bar{\mathbf{k}}$  – enacts the enhanced nurse license compact

Senate bill 260 by John Milkovich – allows licensees to choose to have disciplinary hearings decided by an administrative law judge instead of the board/hearing officer

Senate bill 300 by Sharon Hewitt – expands the tasks that can be done by direct service workers and allows a physician the ability to give the prescription directly

Senate bill 350 by Francis C. Thompson – takes away our authority to charge for verifications; our board has already voted to remove that fee

Senate bill 391 by Beth Mizell – requires state agencies to install internet filters to block obscene or sexually harassing content

No action was needed or taken on this matter.

APRROVAL OF DELEGATES TO ATTEND NCSBN

Janie Cypret moved that the Louisiana State Board of Practical Nurse Examiners approve board staff and any interested board members to attend the NCSBN annual meeting. The voting delegates will be the Executive Director and Associate Executive Director.

SECOND: Prince

YEAS: 6 NAYS: 0

ABSTENTIONS: 0 The motion passed.

LOUISIANA BOARD OF ETHICS DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS

Lynn Ansardi presented and discussed required information needed and deadlines for turning in Personal Financial Disclosure Statements (Tier 2.1) with all board members.

Gwendolyn Dunn moved that all board members received a copy and were presented with the required information needed and deadlines for turning in Personal Financial Disclosure Statements (Tier 2.1).

SECOND: Cypret

YEAS: 6 NAYS: 0

ABSTENTIONS: 0 The motion passed.

CIVIL SERVICE ETHICS AND SEXUAL HARASSMENT TRAINING

Lynn Ansardi reported to all board members that the civil service training concerning ethics and sexual harassment must be completed every calendar year.

Myra Collins moved that all board members were presented with the requirements for completion of civil service training concerning ethics and sexual harassment.

SECOND: Dunn

YEAS: 6 NAYS: 0

ABSTENTIONS: 0 The motion passed.

## DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSE

Lynn Ansardi presented the driver authorization form and the required civil service defensive driving training requirements to all board members.

<u>Albertha Prince</u> moved that all board members were presented with the requirements for completion of the defensive driving course.

**SECOND: Collins** 

YEAS: 6 NAYS: 0

ABSTENTIONS: 0 The motion passed.

#### BOARD JOURNAL/MAGAZINE UPDATE

Christopher Mallett updated the board regarding his conversation with Mr. Brown at Publishing Concepts, Inc., concerning all of the questions and concerns brought forth by the board at the January 2018 board meeting. After all questions were answered and clarified, Mr. Brown emailed Mr. Mallett the next day informing the board that due to staffing issues they could no longer publish a journal for LSBPNE. No action was needed or taken.

## FUTURE MEETING DATES

The proposed board meeting dates for the next board meeting are July 26 and 27, 2018. Board staff has secured the Jefferson Parish East Bank Library for July 27, 2018. No action was needed or taken on this matter.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

Dana Dazet, an LPN instructor with Compass Career College, offered public comment concerning Senate bill 202. Ms. Dazet is very concerned with the impact that Senate bill 202 would have on the practical nursing and registered nursing professions. After speaking with nursing administrators in her area, they fear that this bill would dilute the scope of what LPNs would be allowed to do. Ms. Dazet urged all interested persons to contact their legislators to make sure that their concerns are being heard.

MOTION TO ADJOURN Janie Cypret moved that the meeting be adjourned.

SECOND: Mallett

YEAS: 6 NAYS: 0

**ABSTENTIONS: 0** 

The motion passed, and the meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Myron Collins, LPN, Chairwoman